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News and Notes from the
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TOP 20 TITHES Received by March 15 (In Amount Given)

MCC Dallas, TX	\$1476.00
MCC of the Resurrection, Houston TX	1308.66
MCC in the Valley, No. Hollywood, CA	822.23
MCC Long Beach, CA	792.93
MCC of Greater Kansas City, MO	616.58
MCC San Diego, CA	595.36
MCC San Francisco, CA	590.06
Christ Chapel MCC, Santa Ana, CA	501.55
MCC Portland, OR	448.27
MCC of the Pomona Valley, Pomona, CA	410.77
Golden Gate MCC, San Francisco, CA	393.56
Azape MCC, Ft. Worth, TX	383.40
Church of the Resurrection MCC, New Orleans, LA	380.87
MCC Washington DC	332.47
MCC of the Palm Beaches, Lake Worth, FL	318.64
Casa de Cristo MCC, Phoenix, AZ	307.51
Calvary MCC, Redwood City, CA	291.35
MCC Albuquerque, NM	289.01
Joy MCC, Orlando, FL	272.69
MCC Cincinnati, OH	240.79

TOP 20 TITHES Per Capita Giving (Amount in Dollars)

Church of the Resurrection MCC, New Orleans, LA	\$49.46
Casa de Cristo MCC, Phoenix, AZ	29.56
MCC Illiano, Quincy, IL	25.17
Christ Chapel MCC, Santa Ana, CA	24.46
Calvary MCC, Redwood City, CA	23.12
MCC Greater St. Louis, MO	19.20
DeColores MCC, Eagle Rock, CA	18.25
MCC Anchorage, AK	17.81
MCC of the Desert, Palm Springs, CA	17.27
Family of Peace MCC, Overland Park, KS	16.69
MCC Albuquerque, NM	14.59
MCC Columbia, MO	14.55
MCC Long Beach, CA	14.15
Church of New Hope MCC, Waterloo, IA	14.02
MCC of the Resurrection, Houston, TX	12.74
MCC San Diego, CA	12.45
Trinity MCC, New York, NY	11.64
MCC Louisville, KY	11.51
MCC in the Valley, No. Hollywood, CA	11.26
River Cities MCC, Shreveport, LA	10.51

GENERAL CONFERENCE UPDATE: One of the first matters that visitors to Canada are going to have to learn is the Canadian currency. Canada uses paper bills for the dollar bill, two dollar bill, five and ten and larger denominations. Coinage is designated graduating upwards as cents, nickels, dimes and quarters. Bills and coins are approximately the same size as U.S. currency. For visitors from the United States, the exchange rate is favorable and they will find their dollar worth more in Canada. The best exchange is through a bank, and most banks in Toronto will be able to exchange your currency.

For delegates and attendees from countries in the World Church Extension areas and Mexico, MCC Toronto plans to provide housing to as many as possible. In order to take advantage of their offer, interested parties should contact the host Church immediately. Write to: Mr. Gary Chapman, Host Church Coordinator, MCC Toronto, 730 Bathurst Street, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, M5S 2R4.

AN INFORMATION DESK will be operating during the hours of the Conference. This will be in the main lobby of the meeting room building, the Medical Sciences Building. Assistance will be available to answer your questions about the Conference program and also about things to see and do in Toronto itself. MCC Toronto is preparing a booklet on Toronto which will give you information on places to eat, shop and tour. Each person that is registered will receive a copy.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE to do some reading before leaving on your trip, Toronto has an excellent visitor's bureau. Write: Metropolitan Toronto Convention and Visitors Association, Box 510, Eaton Center, Toronto, Ontario, Canada M5B 2H1. Also you may call toll free for literature and information: Ontario Travel (Government Travel Office) Continental U.S. toll free number 800/828-8585. In New York state only 800/462-8404.

NOTICE: The Rev. Lucia Chappelle has resigned as Dean of the Resident College of Samaritan. The full-time position is now open and resumes are being received until June 1, 1983. Those interested in applying for the position should forward their qualifications to The Samaritan Management Team at 5300 Santa Monica Boulevard, Suite 104, Los Angeles, CA 90029. All inquiries must be received before June 1, 1983.

SAMARITAN SUNDAY materials have been mailed to all churches. Support our Fellowship's educational ministries - Remember Samaritan Sunday.

A MANUAL FOR CONGREGATIONS WITHOUT A PASTOR:

The Rev. J.E. Paul Breton has authored a very helpful guidebook for MCC congregations called *Locating a Pastor: A Manual for the Congregations of the UFMCC Toward Selecting Pastors and Filling Empty Pulpits*. The author is presently Pastor of New Covenant MCC, Cypress, California. He has been involved in the professional ministry of the UFMCC since 1971 and has served as pastor, interim pastor, clergy staff member, District Coordinator and member of several committees and commissions. The Rev. Breton's considerable experience and expertise is clearly displayed in this invaluable guide for churches which are without a pastor. The material is readily applicable both to congregations that are relatively new and those that are well established.

This manual *Locating a Pastor* helps a congregation to explore and act on the following questions:

- What is a pastor?
- How do we staff the church in the meantime? What are the roles and responsibilities of church personnel? What are the roles and responsibilities of the Board of Directors?
- How do we "togetherize" the congregation? How do we do a congregational self-evaluation?
- What do we want in a pastor?
- What are we willing to provide to support a pastor?
- What should the pulpit committee (or pastoral search committee) do in sending out letters, processing applications and resumes, and sending out responses?
- How do we elect a pastor?
- What do we do if no applications come in?
- What do we do if the committee cannot recommend a candidate?
- What do we do to get our new pastor to his/her new church home?

This very basic but challenging manual is published and distributed by the Community of the Holy Cross, P.O. Box 368, San Bernardino, CA 92402-0368. It sells for \$8.40 plus \$2.00 postage and handling (\$3.00 postage and handling for outside the U.S.). An optional three-ring binder cover is available for an additional \$2.00.

Recommended by the Rev. Jeffrey Pulling, Ph.D., Director of Samaritan Extended Studies, Hartford, Connecticut.

THE PRE-CONFERENCE REPORTS to General Conference will be mailed to all clergy and lay delegations in May for the General Conference in July. Watch for them. Registration packets will be available for all registered persons upon arrival at General Conference.

REMINDER - Western Clergy Conference will be held November 8-11, 1983 in San Diego, CA. Dr. James Nelson will be one of our featured guest speakers.

THE NEW FELLOWSHIP DIRECTORY will be mailed on April 7, 1983. Additional copies may be ordered from the Fellowship Office for \$4.00.

THE GOVERNING BOARD of the NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CHURCHES meets in San Francisco, CA, May 10-13, 1983, to discuss UFMCC's application to the council. Most of the Board of Elders, R. Adam DeBaugh and persons from the Bay Area will be present to share with the Governing Board members.

JOURNEY magazine is offering a special subscription offer available until April 30, 1983. Buy one subscription at full price and get another subscription at half price. Regular price is \$16.80 in the U.S., Canada and Mexico. \$20.80 in other areas. Take advantage of this special offer and get JOURNEY delivered to your door.

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